

**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0088/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
July 2013

<010> Study Area Code	351292
<015> Study Area Name	SEARSBORO TEL CO
<020> Program Year	2017
<030> Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Christopher Ulmer
<035> Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	6109283903 ext.
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Form Type	54.313 and 54.422

**(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	cumer@corellc.com

<110> Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC? (yes / no) ☐ ☒

<111> If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC? (yes / no) ☐ ☐

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, please file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

351292IA112.pdf

Name of Attached Document

Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

<113> Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets

<114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received

<115> How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality

<116> How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage

<117> How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity

<118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

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<020>	Program Year	2017
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Christopher Ulmer
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6109283993 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	culmer@icorellc.com

<210> For the prior calendar year, were there any reportable voice service outages?

No

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**(300) Unfulfilled Service Request
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	cu.merivcorellc.com
<300>	Unfulfilled service request (voice)	0
<310>	Detail on attempts (voice)	Name of Attached Document
<320>	Unfulfilled service request (broadband)	0
<330>	Detail on attempts (broadband)	Name of Attached Document

(400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6109283903 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	culmer@corellc.com
<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.	Offered only fixed voice
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice	0.0
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice	
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.	Offered only fixed broadband
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband	0.0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband	

(500) Compliance With Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules
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<020>	Program Year	2017
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6109281903 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	culmev@corellc.com
<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules	Yes

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<510> Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance

(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations		FCC Form 481
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<020>	Program Year	2017
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	610283403 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	cumer@icorellio.com
<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	351292IA610.pdf

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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Searsboro Telephone Company
<811>	Holding Company	Not Applicable
<812>	Operating Company	Searsboro Telephone Company

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(900) Tribal Lands Reporting Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0966/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<900> Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N)

No

<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable

**(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability
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<1000> Voice services rate comparability certification Yes

<1010> Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance 351292IA1010.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1020> Broadband comparability certification Yes - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau

<1030> Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance

Name of Attached Document

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting		FCC Form 481
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<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)

Yes

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers		FCC Form 481
Lifeline		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

351292IA1210.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP www.searshboroTel.com

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

- <1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, ☒
- <1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, ☒
- <1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. ☒

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 441
Data Collection Form		OMB Control No. 3060-0088/OMB Control No. 3060-0019
<i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>		July 2013

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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

- <2010> 2nd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(i) - Note that for the July 1 2016 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support
- <2011> 3rd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 1 2016 certification, this applies to Round 1 recipients of Incremental Support
- <2022> Recipient certifies, representing year two after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2023> The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year two - 54.313(b)(2)(iii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2024A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2024B> Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2025A> Round 1 or Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2025B> Attach geocoded information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 1 for year three and Round 2 for year two) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-
- <2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

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(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)
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FCC Form 421
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Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

<2016> Certification support used to build broadband

Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

<2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

<2017B> Attach information for Phase II - 54.313(e)(1) - list of geocoded locations already meeting the 54.309 public interest obligations at the end of calendar year 2015 and total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2018> Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(2)(ii)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(2)(v)

<2020> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 40% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2017 - 54.313(e)(3)

<2021> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 60% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2018 - 54.313(e)(4)

<2026> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 80% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2019 - 54.313(e)(5)

<2027> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 100% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2020 - 54.313(e)(6)

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Complete the items below to note compliance with five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3009)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)		
(3010A)	Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}	No - Attach Explanation:	
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	351292IA3010b.pdf
(3012A)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	No - No New Community Anchors	
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	<input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>
(3015)	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires: Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3016)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:	(Yes/No)	<input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3021)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3025)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	351292IA3026.pdf

(3003) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)		FCC Form 481
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<020> Program Year	2011
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<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	culmer@corello.com

Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue	
(3028) Operating Expenses	
(3029) Net Income	
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)	
(3031) Total Assets	
(3032) Total Debt	
(3033) Total Equity	
(3034) Dividends	

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)

4004a. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>ICORE Consulting, LLC</u> is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent:	ICORE Consulting, LLC
Name of Reporting Carrier:	SEARSBORO TEL CO
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 06/30/2016
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Vicki Nikkel
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	Controller
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	6415942905 ext.
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	351292 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2016
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	SEARSBORO TEL CO
Name of Authorized Agent Firm:	ICORE Consulting, LLC
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 06/30/2016
Name of Authorized Agent Employee:	Christopher Ulmer
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Manager
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	6109283903 ext.
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Attachments

(700) Price Offerings Including Voice Rate Data
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SUPPLEMENTAL DATA & RESPONSES

**SEARSBORO TELEPHONE COMPANY
FIVE YEAR SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLAN
JULY 1, 2016 PROGRESS REPORTS**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On July 1, 2014, Searsboro Telephone Company ("Searsboro" or "the Company") submitted a five year service improvement plan as required by 47 C.F.R. §54.202(a). Searsboro operates a single exchange in rural Iowa. Consistent with 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(1), the Company now submits this progress report which reflects activities through 2015.

At the time the five year service improvement plan was submitted, broadband service was defined as a service with speed of 4 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream. The FCC's action to change this definition to 10 Mbps downstream and 1 Mbps upstream upon reasonable request was not reflected in the initial plan. This report provides an assessment of the Company's achievements to date in network investment to target the new, higher download speed requirement.

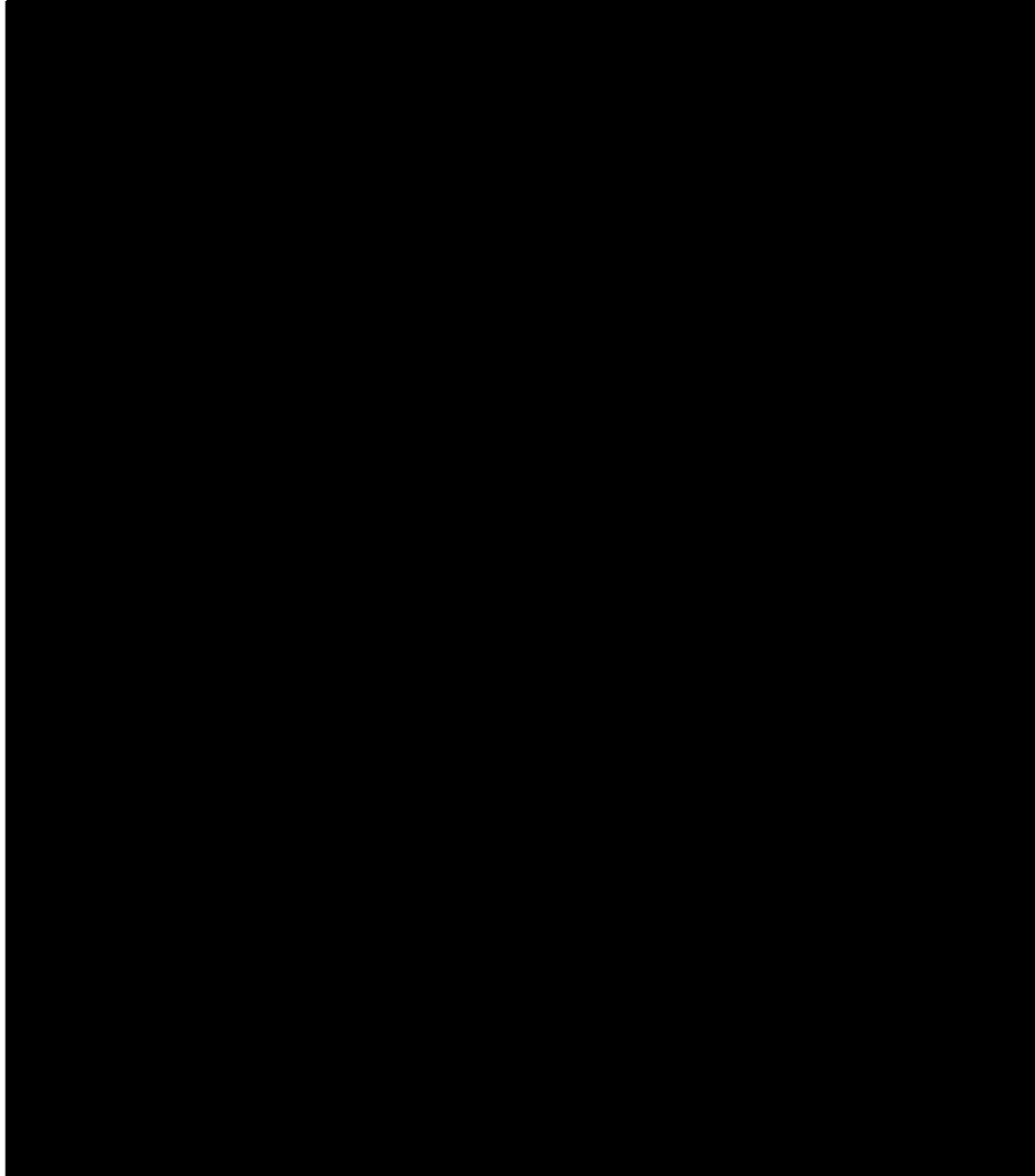
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SERVICE CERTIFICATION

As set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(1)(i), the Company hereby certifies that it is taking reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1Mbps upstream. This service offers latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol. Usage capacity is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time.

SERVICE PROGRESS - EXCHANGE MAP

Funds received from the universal service support mechanisms, in combination with all other revenue streams will allow the Company to maintain and upgrade the existing broadband network. In the July 1, 2014 five-year plan, the level of 4/1 broadband availability within Searsboro was 100%. As a result of significant investment in fiber infrastructure, the Company can presently offer 10 Mbps / 1 Mbps broadband speeds to approximately 90% of its customers. The map below shows the Searsboro Telephone Company study area exchange boundaries in red. The black thatched areas show where 10/1 broadband is available.



RATES AND RATE STABILITY

New customers are provided rate information at the time they order service. The rate information is prepared based on tariffs which are on file with the state public utility commission and available for inspection at our office. In addition rates are available on the company website. Notices of rate changes proposed by the Company are communicated to the customers through a bill notice or other comparable means. The Company complies with all state and federal rules applicable to rate changes.

PROVIDE SPECIFIC DISCLOSURES IN ADVERTISING

In advertising of prices for service plans the Company will disclose material charges and conditions related to the advertised prices and services. This notice will provide the potential customer with , including if applicable and to the extent the advertising medium reasonably allows: (1) whether nonrecurring installation charges would apply; (2) the monthly fee associated with the service; (3) whether any additional taxes, fees or surcharges apply; (3) the terms and conditions related to receiving a product or service for "free;" and (4) whether prices or benefits apply only for a limited time or promotional period and, if so, whether any different fees or charges will apply for the remainder of the contract term.

TRUTH-IN-BILLING

The Company has long maintained compliance with the FCC's Truth-in-Billing rules as set forth in 47 CFR 64.2401. In part, this requires the Company's telephone bill must: (1) be accompanied by a brief, clear, non-misleading plain language description of the service or services rendered; (2) identify the service provider associated with each charge; (3) clearly and conspicuously identify any change in

service provider; (4) contain full and non-misleading descriptions of charges; (5) identify those charges for which failure to pay will not result in disconnection of the customer's basic local service; and (6) provide a toll free number for customers to call in order to lodge a complaint or obtain information.

Customers' bills will distinguish (1) monthly charges for service and features, and other charges collected and retained by the carrier, from (2) taxes, fees and other charges collected by the carrier and remitted to federal state or local governments. The Company will not label cost recovery fees or charges as taxes.

PROVIDE READY ACCESS TO CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customers and potential customers may access customer service by visiting the Company's office or by using a toll-free telephone number during normal business hours. Customer service contact information is available at our business office with regular hours posted on the storefront. In addition, this information is available online and on the monthly invoice rendered by the company.

ABIDE BY POLICIES FOR PROTECTION OF CUSTOMER PRIVACY

The Company complies with all state and federal rules regarding the privacy of customer information. Certification of this compliance is provided annually to the FCC.

RESPONSE TO CONSUMER INQUIRIES AND COMPLAINTS RECEIVED FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

The Company will respond in writing to state or federal administrative agencies within 30 days of receiving written consumer complaints from any such agency. Should the agency require a shorter interval for response, the Company will use its best efforts to expedite the review of the complaint to provide a response which meets the agency-provided target date.

TERMINATION OF SERVICE

The Company follows the state public utility commission's rules for termination of service.

Service cannot be terminated without advance notice to the customer. If service is being terminated for non-payment, the customer will have the option to establish a payment plan. So long as the customer adheres to the payment plan, service will not be disconnected.

Customers may terminate service at any time and for any reason. The Company does not assess any termination penalty and the customer is simply required to pay for the services which were used while the service was provided.

As an initial point, the Company had no service outages during 2015 which met the FCC's threshold for reporting into the Network Outage Reporting System ("NORS").

The Company engages in preventative maintenance programs which help ensure network reliability in all conditions. This includes regular checks on generators, battery back-up, HVAC infrastructure at central office switches, and tree trimming/removal when trees have the potential to take down telephone lines during events of high wind or heavy snow. Access to critical infrastructure (like central office switches) is limited to essential personnel. Spare equipment is maintained in inventory.

Like most local exchange carriers, the Company's network consists of electronic switching equipment and a network of fiber optics and copper facilities. From a switching standpoint, the Company has one primary switch and smaller switches which are fed by the primary switch. These smaller switches are often referred to as intraexchange remote switches or concentrators. The largest threat to switches is the loss of power. To address this, the Company ensures adequate battery back-up is maintained. For emergency situations which extend beyond the useful life of the battery back-up, the Company uses generators to power the switches. These generators are portable which ensures they can be relocated to any switching center based on the specific needs of each switch. In addition, the Company's office will serve as a Command and Control center. This center is included as a primary location to which continuous power is required.

In cases of emergency, the Company's management has contact information for all employees. Depending upon the scope of the emergency, the Company may call-in as many employees as necessary to provide continual telecommunications service. The Company has access to local and regional construction companies which can be called in to supplement the work force if necessary. When poles are down from emergencies, the Company works with other utilities attached to the same poles to expedite the repair or replacement of the infrastructure.

In summation, the Company takes preventative measures to plan for emergency situations and also takes steps to mitigate the risk or duration of such events.

Searsboro Telephone Company

305 7th Avenue

Sully Iowa 50251

June 9, 2016

I, Gary Neill, hereby certify that Searsboro Telephone Company pricing of voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the applicable national average urban rate for voice service as specified in the most recent public notice issued by the Wireline Commission bureau.

Respectfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Neill', written over the printed name 'Gary Neill'.

Gary Neill

General Manager

Searsboro Telephone
Company, Inc.

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SERVICE CHARGES

B. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE

1. The Federal Lifeline Assistance Program is a plan which assists qualified low-income applicants with reductions in their monthly local exchange service rate. The assistance applies for a single telephone line at the applicant's principal place of residence. Qualified applicants shall have their monthly local exchange service rate reduced by the federal support amount defined in 47 CFR 54.403.

2. Eligibility Requirements
To be eligible for assistance, an applicant must provide documentation showing the applicant (1) meets income-based criterion currently defined as at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, OR (2) participates in at least one of the following programs as defined by 47 CFR 54.409:

- a. Medicaid (e.g. Title XIX/Medical, state supplemental assistance)
- b. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- c. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- d. Federal public housing assistance
- e. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LHEAP)
- f. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program (TANF)
- g. National School Lunch Program

The Lifeline customer is responsible for notifying the Company if the customer ceases to participate in any of the public assistance programs listed above.

A Lifeline customer may only receive assistance from one wireline or one wireless telephone provider per household.

3. Application for Assistance
An applicant shall request telephone assistance through completion of a certification form provided by the Company as governed by 47 CFR 54.410.
4. Rates
- a. The Lifeline customer will receive a monthly credit toward their local exchange service rate. The total monthly credit identified in 47 CFR 54.403 shall be used to reduce the Lifeline customer's rate.
 - b. Toll blocking shall be included with this service offering without charge. No service deposit would be required if applicant voluntarily elects toll blocking with the initiation of Lifeline Service.

ISSUED: April 30, 2012 EFFECTIVE: June 1, 2012
Date Date

BY: Don H. Long President Searsboro, Iowa 50138
Name Title Address

Searsboro Telephone
Company, Inc.

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ACCESS SERVICES CONCURRENCE

A. CONCURRENCE IN RATES AND CHARGES OF NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER
ASSOCIATION TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 3, 4, AND 5 AS FILED BY THE IOWA
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF NO. 1

1. Searsboro Telephone Company, Inc. concurs in the Effective Access Tariffs as filed by
the Iowa Telecommunications Association in the State of Iowa.

ISSUED: April 27, 2006 EFFECTIVE: May 27, 2006
Date Date
BY: Don H. Long President Searsboro, Iowa 50138
Name Title Address

Company	Searsboro Telephone Company
Study Area Code	351292
Supplemental Data For:	Line 3010b – 5 Year Plan Milestone Certification

This certification is embedded within the 5 year plan update that has been filed.

[3005a] Operating Report for Privately-Held Rate of Return Carriers
Balance Sheet - Data Collection Form
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CERTIFICATION
We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Signature: [Signature]
Date: 6/28/13

PART A. BALANCE SHEET		BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
1. Cash and Equivalents	CURRENT LIABILITIES		
2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund	25. Accounts Payable		
3. Affiliates:	26. Notes Payable		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable	27. Advance Billings and Payments		
b. Other Accounts Receivable	28. Customer Deposits		
c. Notes Receivable	29. Current Mat. L/T Debt		
4. Non-Affiliates:	30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable	31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases		
b. Other Accounts Receivable	32. Income Taxes Accrued		
c. Notes Receivable	33. Other Taxes Accrued		
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable	34. Other Current Liabilities		
6. Material-Regulated	35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)		
7. Material-Nonregulated	LONG-TERM DEBT		
8. Prepayments	36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes		
9. Other Current Assets	37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes		
10. Total Current Assets (1 thru 9)	38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes		
	39. Funded Debt-Other		
NONCURRENT ASSETS	40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan		
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies	41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt		
a. Rural Development	42. Reacquired Debt		
b. Nonrural Development	43. Obligations Under Capital Lease		
12. Other Investments	44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		
a. Rural Development	45. Other Long-Term Debt		
b. Nonrural Development	46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)		
13. Nonregulated Investments	OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS		
14. Other Noncurrent Assets	47. Other Long-Term Liabilities		
15. Deferred Charges	48. Other Deferred Credits		
16. Jurisdictional Differences	49. Other Jurisdictional Differences		
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)	50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)		
	EQUITY		
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT	51. Cap. Stock Outstanding & Subscribed		
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service	52. Additional Paid-in-Capital		
19. Property Held for Future Use	53. Treasury Stock		
20. Plant Under Construction	54. Membership and Cap. Certificates		
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill	55. Other Capital		
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation	56. Patronage Capital Credits		
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)	57. Retained Earnings or Margins		
	58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)		
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)	59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)		

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PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS		PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
ITEM			
1.	Local Network Services Revenues		
2.	Network Access Services Revenues		
3.	Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4.	Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5.	Miscellaneous Revenues		
6.	Uncollectible Revenues		
7.	Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)		
8.	Plant Specific Operations Expense		
9.	Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10.	Depreciation Expense		
11.	Amortization Expense		
12.	Customer Operations Expense		
13.	Corporate Operations Expense		
14.	Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		
15.	Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16.	Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17.	State and Local Taxes		
18.	Federal Income Taxes		
19.	Other Taxes		
20.	Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		
21.	Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22.	Interest on Funded Debt		
23.	Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24.	Other Interest Expense		
25.	Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
26.	Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		
27.	Nonoperating Net Income		
28.	Extraordinary Items		
29.	Jurisdictional Differences		
30.	Nonregulated Net Income		
31.	Total Net Income or margins (21+27+28+29-30-26)		
32.	Total Taxes Based on Income		
33.	Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34.	Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35.	Dividends Declared (Common)		
36.	Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37.	Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38.	Transfers to Patronage Capital		
39.	Retained Earnings or Margins end-of-Period [(31+33-34)-(35+36-37+38)]		
40.	Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41.	Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42.	Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43.	Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)		
44.	Annual Debt Service Payments		
45.	Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11)/7]		
46.	Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20-26)/7]		
47.	TIER [(31+26)/26]		
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PART C. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS	
1.	Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
2.	Net Income
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
3.	Add: Depreciation
4.	Add: Amortization
5.	Other (Explain)
Diff in CY net loss (B/S & I/S)-Adjustment to Accum. Depreciation	
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	
6.	Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable
7.	Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory
8.	Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges
9.	Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets
10.	Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable
11.	Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments
12.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities
13.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
14.	Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable
15.	Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable
16.	Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits
17.	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)
18.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits
19.	Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital
20.	Less: Payment of Dividends
21.	Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired
22.	Other (Explain)
23.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
24.	Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)
25.	Other Long-Term Investments
26.	Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences
27.	Other (Explain)
Diff in beginning R.E. (Loan Repayment from Kilduff)	
28.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities
29.	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash
30.	Ending Cash

